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SUBJECT: FY 1976 INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM NOMINATION

1. MISSION NOMINATES DR. TOEMSAKDI KRISHNAMRA FOR I.V. GRANT OF THIRTY DAY DURATION.

2. DR. TOEMSAKDI IS THE NEW RECTOR OF CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY, THE MOST IMPORTANT ACADEMIC POST IN THAILAND. HE IS AN IMPRESSIVE MAN, HIGHLY INTELLIGENT, THOUGHTFUL AND FORCEFUL. ALTHOUGH NEW IN HIS POSITION, HE GIVES EVERY EVIDENCE OF BEING WELL IN CONTROL OF ALL UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENTS.

ALONG HIS PROJECTS ARE SEVERAL OF SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR US. HE HAS DECIDED THAT CHULA MUST BECOME VIRTUALLY BI-LINGUAL WITH FLUENCY IN ENGLISH AN OBTAINABLE GOAL FOR HIS STUDENTS. TO THIS END HE IS ESTABLISHING NEW ENGLISH-TEACHING CENTER AT CHULA. DR. TOEMSAKDI IS ALSO TAKING PERSONAL INTEREST IN SELECTION OF AMERICAN FULBRIGHT PROFESSOR TO PREPARE GROUNDWORK OF FIRST THAI CHAIR OF AMERICAN STUDIES.

DR. TOEMSAKDI DID HIS FORMAL STUDIES IN THAILAND AND ENGLAND. IN 1962 HE SPENT SOME TIME AT STANFORD ON FORD GRANT. HE HAS OTHERWISE SPENT LITTLE TIME IN THE STATES AND HAS NEVER RECEIVED GOVERNMENT INVITATION OR GRANT. IT IS LOGICAL AND IMPORTANT THAT HE BE OFFERED ON IVG THIS YEAR.

DR. TOEMSAKDI HAS INDICATED THAT HE COULD AND WOULD LIKE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR A VISIT TO AMERICA DURING CHULA'S VACATION PERIOD. HIS DATE OF ARRIVAL WOULD PROBABLY BE LATE APRIL.

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3. BIOGRAPHIC DATA: BORN BANGKOK, SEPTEMBER 12, 1927; THAI CITIZEN; HOME ADDRESS: 244 RAJVITHI ROAD, BANGKOK; PAST POSITIONS: DEAN, FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND ACCOUNTANCY, CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY; ACADEMIC TRAINING: B.COM., MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY; A.C.A., INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS, ENGLAND. ENGLISH VERY GOOD; MARRIED, TWO CHILDREN.

4. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: DR. TOEMSAKDI HAS THREE PARTICULAR PROJECTS HE WISHES TO PURSUE BY MEETING WITH PERSONS IN CHARGE OF OR BY VISITING INSTITUTIONS ENGAGED IN SIMILAR PROJECTS.

- A. CHULA IS ATTEMPTING TO MEASURE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.
- B. RECTOR INSISTS UPON STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND IS SENDING FACULTY MEMBERS TO STATES AND ELSEWHERE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES AND DEGREES. HE WISHES TO VISIT CERTAIN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH CHULA SENDS STAFFS TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE BEING TRAINED TO MEET UNIVERSITY'S NEEDS.
- C. SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS OF CHULA CONDUCT THEIR OWN RESEARCH CENTERS. DR. TOEMSAKDI SEEKS BEST METHODOLOGY TO COORDINATE EFFORTS OF THESE VARIOUS RESEARCH CENTERS.

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